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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "A"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir/Madam:

Please amend the above-identified application, prior to examination thereof, in the following manner.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

9. (NEW) A sound producer volume control apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein said sound producing pattern is a pulse width modulation (PWM) signal.

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10. (NEW) A portable radio apparatus comprising a sound producer volume control apparatus as claimed in claim 9.